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| **April 2025** | |
| Health Services Safety Investigations Body (HSSIB) | LinkedIn | **Frequent failures in co-ordinating care for patients with long-term health issues**  This report finds that a lack of co-ordination of care for people with long-term health conditions is taking a toll on patients and carers, leading to burnout, distress and harm. It also outlines the impact of being unable to navigate the health and care system. A focus of the investigation was on the role of the ‘care co-ordinator’ – someone who is able to connect patients/carers with the right care and support. Read the report here: [Frequent failures in co-ordinating care for patients with long-term health issues](https://www.hssib.org.uk/news-events-blog/frequent-failures-in-co-ordinating-care-for-patients-with-long-term-health-issues/?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14960261_NEWSL_HMP_Library%202025-04-15&dm_i=21A8,8WNET,2NYYES,114SGL,1) |
|  | [**Analysis of the latest British Social Attitudes survey questions on health and social care**](https://kingsfundmail.org.uk/c/AQiA5gUQjL2QBxi0w-5MIIXg9KQB68qU8VagYBfEalhtTqn7eKH-ByWEJUsjzJrRNCLvbmQ) The survey, carried out by the National Centre for Social Research in September and October 2024, is seen as a gold-standard measure of public attitudes in Britain. Our analysis shows that: |
| * [**Just 1 in 5 people (21%) in 2024 said they were satisfied with the way the NHS runs.**](https://kingsfundmail.org.uk/c/AQiA5gUQjL2QBxi0w-5MIIbg9KQB9z9b3huWxN_Y-nUVP6wHSlNudTDgOPmHr2ZLx3KhEWE) * 6 in 10 people (59%) said they were ‘very’ or ‘quite’ dissatisfied with the NHS in 2024, a sharp rise from 52% in 2023.   This is the [**highest level of dissatisfaction with the health service since the survey began**](https://kingsfundmail.org.uk/c/AQiA5gUQjL2QBxi0w-5MIIfg9KQBf6la4YTkyzWdRzLn8YKpT0nCGedkBLyiX4ypo5QK7aQ) in 1983.  Read the report here: [Public Satisfaction With The NHS And Social Care In 2024 | BSA | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/reports/public-satisfaction-nhs-social-care-in-2024-bsa?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14950028_MKPUB_BSA_020425&utm_content=Button_read_report&dm_i=21A8,8WFIK,2NYYES,113H0E,1) | |
|  | **Public satisfaction with the NHS and social care in 2024 (BSA) - Results from the British Social Attitudes survey**  Just 1 in 5 people (21%) in 2024 said they were satisfied with the way the NHS runs. 6 in 10 people (59%) said they were ‘very’ or ‘quite’ dissatisfied with the NHS in 2024, a sharp rise from 52% in 2023. This is the highest level of dissatisfaction with the health service since the British Social Attitudes (BSA) survey began in 1983. You can explore the key findings here: |
| [Public Satisfaction With The NHS And Social Care In 2024 | BSA | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/reports/public-satisfaction-nhs-social-care-in-2024-bsa?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14951682_NEWSL_HWB_2025-04-14&dm_i=21A8,8WGSI,2NYYES,113NG9,1) | |
|  | **Integrated care board cuts – what does it all mean?**  The bombshell news of the merger/reorganisation/abolition of NHS England has largely overshadowed a potentially equally seismic shift in the set-up of the health system – a complete overhaul of the function and purpose of integrated care boards (ICBs) accompanied by swingeing cuts to their operating costs of 50% by October this year. |
| Read more here: [Integrated Care Board Cuts – What Does It All Mean? | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/blogs/icb-cuts-what-does-it-mean?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14961765_NEWSL_WeeklyUpdate_140425%5BMondaySend%5D&utm_content=BUTTON_ICBCuts&dm_i=21A8,8WOKL,2NYYES,114Q64,1) | |
|  | **Ten actions the government can take to improve children’s health** Children’s health and wellbeing has seen a concerning decline in recent years, with children in the UK experiencing some of the [worst health outcomes in Europe](https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2024-09/rcpch_child_heath_blueprint_2024.pdf). Many lifelong health issues are established in childhood, and unless strong and meaningful action is taken to change course, the current generation of children is set to become an unhealthy generation of adults. |
| This will have serious long-term implications for the economy, the health service and society as a whole – as well as consequences for the children themselves. Investing in the health of children and young people is an investment in the future and will provide long-term returns.     Improving children’s health will take comprehensive effort across all of society. The government has [committed to raising](https://labour.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Change-Labour-Party-Manifesto-2024-large-print.pdf) ‘the healthiest generation of children in our history’, and this briefing focuses on a list of actions that the government should prioritise. While the list is not comprehensive, we believe that these steps are ones that should be taken as soon as possible to maintain the government’s momentum on its commitment. Read more here: [Ten actions the government can take to improve children’s health | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/briefings/ten-actions-government-improve-childrens-health?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14961765_NEWSL_WeeklyUpdate_140425%5BMondaySend%5D&utm_content=BUTTON_Childrenshealth&dm_i=21A8,8WOKL,2NYYES,114Q64,1) | |
|  | **Improving children’s health: the critical role of nutrition and the impact of ultra-processed foods.**  Children’s diets are an increasing cause for concern. Jessica Holden explores the prevalence of ultra-processed foods and the detrimental effect these are having on children’s health and wellbeing. Read more here: [Improving Children’s Health: The Critical Role Of Nutrition And The Impact Of Ultra-Processed Foods | The King's Fund](https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/insight-and-analysis/blogs/improving-childrens-health-nutrition?utm_source=The%20King%27s%20Fund%20newsletters%20%28main%20account%29&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=14969988_NEWSL_HWB_2025-04-28&dm_i=21A8,8WUX0,2NYYES,115KXT,1) |
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| **Infection Prevention guidance and updates** | | |
| 2 April 2025 | UK Health Security Agency News story  **UKHSA launches call for evidence to tackle rising TB**  UKHSA launches a call for evidence to shape England’s 2026 to 2031 TB Action Plan as TB rates continue to rise. | [UKHSA launches call for evidence to tackle rising TB - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-launches-call-for-evidence-to-tackle-rising-tb?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=599fe043-252f-45e3-a6ec-aeb4f937f7fc&utm_content=daily) |
| 7 April 2025 | UK Health Security Agency News story  **UKHSA launches campaign to tackle misconceptions on antibiotics**  The digital campaign will be headed by a new mascot, ‘Andi Biotic’, who is on a ‘one-pill’ mission to help young adults keep antibiotics working | [UKHSA launches campaign to tackle misconceptions on antibiotics - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-launches-campaign-to-tackle-misconceptions-on-antibiotics?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=6ed0d821-aee2-4aeb-9aa6-b39a7feaa891&utm_content=daily) |
| 7 April 2025 | UK Health Security Agency Collection  **Chickenpox: public health management and guidance**  The diagnosis, management and epidemiology of chickenpox (varicella).  Updated to reflect changes to health protection regulations. | [Chickenpox: public health management and guidance - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/chickenpox-public-health-management-and-guidance?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e914fae9-12c3-49de-aad6-021a11fcb335&utm_content=daily)  [Chickenpox | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](https://cks.nice.org.uk/topics/chickenpox/) |